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TAGS: AORG, TECH, IAEA, IR

SUBJ: PALFREY/ETEMAD DISCUSSION NOV. 27

REF: A) TEHRAN 11930 (NOTAL), B) IAEA VIENNA 0189 (NOTAL)

1. FORMER AEC COMMISSIONER PALFREY, WHO VISITED
VIENNA DEC 2-3, REQUESTED FOLLOWING
CLARIFICATION BE MADE OF MEMCON OF ETEMAD/PALFREY
CONVERSATION PREPARED AFTER PALFREY'S DEPARTURE
(REF A) REGARDING IRAN'S INTEREST IN INITIATIVE TO
START SUPPLIER CONSUMER DIALOGUE: PREMISE WAS
REJECTION OF PROSAL TO ENLARGE SUPPLIER CONFERENCES
FOR THIS PURPOSE AND IRAN'S SEARCH FOR ANOTHER FORUM
THAT WOULD INCLUDE ONLY LIMITED NUMBER OF THIRD WORLD
COUNTRIES WITH GENUINE NUCLEAR PROGRAMS. RECOGNIZED
THAT POTENTIALLY DESIRABLE IAEA FORUM WORTH EXPLORING
WITH U.S. AND OTHERS BUT MIGHT MAKE DIFFICULT INFORMALITY,
SELECTIVITY AND SERIOUS EXCHANGE OF VIEWS. IF SO,
LESS FORMAL AUSPICES FOR MEETINGS COULD BE FOUND.
MAIN OBJECTIVE TO MOVE TOWARD A SERIOUS DIALOGUE
SOON.

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2. AS DEPARTMENT IS AWARE FROM REF B, MISSION HAS

EXPRESSED SERIOUS RESERVATIONS REGARDING THE USE OF
THE IAEA AS A FORUM FOR THE KIND OF DIALOGUE
ENVISAGED. ONE OF THE MAIN PURPOSES OF THE US-
INITIATED REVISED SAFEGUARDS FINANCING FORUMUA EARLY
THIS YEAR WAS TO FORESTALL CALLS BY SEVERAL LDC'S
FOR CONVENING OF A SIMILAR LARGE GROUP TO REVIEW
FUNDAMENTAL SAFEGUARDS ISSUES E.G., REVISION OF
INFCIRC/661/REV 2, SAFEGUARDS ON TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY,
AS WELL AS SAFEGUARDS FINANCING. ATTEMPT BY SUCH A
GATHERING TO ADDRESS THESE MATTERS WOULD HAVE PRODUCED
LITTLE "GENUINE DIALOGUE" BUT MUCH DIVISIVE RHETORIC.
IN OUR VIEW, CLIMATE HAS BECOME EVEN LESS CONDUCIVE
TO PRODUCTIVE AND CONTROLLABLE DISCUSSION BUT WOULD
RATHER ASSUME CHARACTER OF STRIKING CONFRONTATION
BETWEEN SUPPLIER STATES AND LDC'S, GIVEN THE PUBLICITY
ATTENDING THE LONDON DISCUSSIONS AND THE INCREASED
ATTENTION BEING GIVEN TO OTHER SAFEGUARDS ISSUES,
E.G. SAFEGUARDS IN CONNECTION WITH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.STONE

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